SENATE BILL 1006 By Ford

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68, Chapter 3, Part 5, relative to pronouncement of death and death certificates.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-3-502, is amended by adding the following language as a new subsection (i):

(i) The pronouncement of death may be made, and the death certificate may be signed, by a physician assistant licensed under title 63, chapter 19, part 1, so long as these tasks are expressly included in the written protocol developed jointly by the physician assistant and his or her supervising physician which sets forth the range of services that may be provided by that physician assistant.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

it.